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Naples, December 5.

ON the 30th past an Estafette arrived here from Rome, which is said to have brought the Regulation established with that Court for the passage of the Troops through the Ecclesiastical State, who have made a Halt on the Confines of Abruzzo. The same Day the General Officers sent their Field Baggage away, and they wait only for the last Orders to set out for the Army. The Artillery, Ammunition and Military Stores are shipping off with great Dispatch.

Rome, Dec. 9. The Pope has consented to the Passage of the Spanish and Neapolitan Troops through the Ecclesiastical State, on Condition that they shall pay ready Money for what they may have Occasion; on which Account the Pope has nominated Commissaries to attend that Passage. Many Deserters out of the Neapolitan Troops, on the Confines of Abruzzo, daily arrive in this City; and it is reported, that only out of the two Regiments, Royal Bourbon and Royal Farnese, about 300 have deserted. On the 6th Count Lagnasco, the Saxon Minister at this Court, had an Audience of the Pope; in which he presented to him a Manifesto, with the Reasons that had induced the Elector his Master to send his Troops into Bohemia to act against the Queen of Hungary. By the last Letters from France, the Secretary of State has received Notice of the Decease of Cardinal Polignac; by which the thirteenth Cardinal's Hat is become vacant.

Leghorn, Dec. 15. On the 10th the Austrian Regiment, Wallis's Foot, began to march on its Return to Lombardy; and on the 11th Eight hundred Men of Capponi's new Regiment of Militia entered this Garrison, in lieu of that of Wallis's, and are to be followed by 300 Men out of the second Regiment of Pandolfini's Militia. On the 14th anchored at this Port the Genoese Galley which had attended and landed M. de Montemar at Orbitello on the 11th. The said General, on his Voyage from Leghorn to Orbitello, stopped at Porto Longone.

Florence, Dec. 17. The Regency is entirely taken up in prosecuting with great Assiduity the criminal Inquisition against Sig. Gavi, and his Accomplices, the Superintendant of the Great Duke's Domaines, as well as in enquiring into the Administration of divers others; on which Account many People are daily imprisoned.

Vienna, Dec. 20, *N. S.* Advice was brought this Morning of the Austrians having taken Possession of Steyr upon its being abandoned by the Confederates. Count Kevenhuller set out this Morning for Waithoven upon his Expedition into Upper Austria. The Great Duke, who was expected here during three Days to confer with that General, has thought it necessary to remain with the Left Wing of the Austrian Army at Wittingau, two Leagues from Budeweis. The Right Wing of the Enemy is cantoned at Frauenberg, Nosteliez, Pilseck, and Prachatitz. The Left Wing is in the County of Crasiau, and Prince Lobcowitz, with the Right Wing of the Austrians, is at Teichbrod.

Dresden, Dec. 24, *N. S.* His Polish Majesty has been pleased to promote Colonel Bruhl, Brother to the First Minister, to the Rank of Major General, and to permit him to keep his Regiment of Horse, contrary to the Regulation in this Service. Colonel Belville set out Yesterday with 40 Swiss Guards for Francfort, the Elector of Saxony, as Great Marshal of the Empire, being obliged to keep them, and they have the Honour of mounting Guard at the Coronation of an Em-